HB 225 Access to Medical Records Amendments

1. HB 225 makes it easier and faster for patients and their reps to get their information

- a. The bill directs the department of health to create a uniform release of information form that is HIPAA compliant.
- b. This form can then be used with any medical provider in the state to obtain your information

2. This is a problem for patients and their reps alike

a. Currently, many medical providers have their own release of information form, and it takes 30+ days to find out if you sent them the right one or one that the deem compliant enough to satisfy their criteria. If you didn't send them the right one or one that will work, you must find out what the correct form is, send it off, and wait another 30+ days to get your information.

3. This bill represents an amalgamation of the various release of information forms the providers are currently using

a. This represents the efforts of many who are interested in simplifying this process including: attorneys representing injured persons, health care providers, health insurers, and third-party billing and record providers that are contracted with them. This bill was drafted using the information and terminology that was consistent across many of these release of information forms. These providers recognize the complexity of the different forms and have gotten behind the concept.